

House Study Bill 138 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE
ON EDUCATION BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON WHEELER)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to assessments required to be administered to
2 students participating in the education savings account
3 program and including effective date and retroactive
4 applicability provisions.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 257.11B, subsection 11, paragraph a, as
2 enacted by 2023 Iowa Acts, House File 68, section 7, is amended
3 to read as follows:

4 a. Each pupil participating in the education savings
5 account program is required to take all applicable ~~state and~~
6 federally required student assessments and shall have the
7 option to take all state-required assessments, and the results
8 of those assessments shall be provided to the pupil's parents
9 or guardians and reported to the department of education.

10 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate
11 importance, takes effect upon enactment.

12 Sec. 3. RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY. This Act applies
13 retroactively to January 24, 2023.

14 EXPLANATION

15 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
16 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

17 This bill relates to assessments required to be administered
18 to students participating in the education savings account
19 program.

20 2023 Iowa Acts, House File 68, establishes an education
21 savings account program for school budget years beginning on or
22 after July 1, 2023, for the payment of qualified educational
23 expenses incurred by the parent or guardian of an eligible
24 pupil enrolled in a nonpublic school. Under the program,
25 pupils are required to take all applicable state and federally
26 required student assessments. The bill strikes the provision
27 requiring such pupils to take student assessments required by
28 the state. The bill takes effect upon enactment and applies
29 retroactively to January 24, 2023.